MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*) : May I know whether tenders were invited for the sale of quota ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I believe it was sold in auction.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): What is the basis of the answer that they were sold in auction ? It is so well known that the quota was not sold in auction. So I want to know from the member what is the basis for his informatirn ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) · The information is based on the Conservator's report.

Property sold for arrears of tax.

84. *MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the amount realised by the sale of properties for arrears of land tax for the years 1108 and 1109 in the Ambalapuzha taluk ;

(*b*) the extent of lands sold for the purpose in those years ;

(*c*) in how many cases the sale amount with commission was deposited and sale set aside in those two years;

(*d*) which taluk in the State stands first in the matter of collecton of land tax in the year 1109, which stands last and the reason for the same ;

(*e*) the amount of arrears in land tax to be collected in the years 1108 and 1109 in the Ambalapuzha taluk ; and

(*f*) which of the *pakuthies* in the taluk stands first in the matter of collection of land tax in the year 1109 and which stands last ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*):

	1108.	*1109.*
(*a*) Rs.	2,210-14-7.	4,798-27-12.
(*b*) 29 acres 14 cents.		75 acres 46 cents.
(*c*) 460.		788.

(*d*) Shencotta taluk stands first and Kottayam last.

The fall in the percentage of collection in Kottayam taluk is apparently due to the general economic depression and the extension of time granted for payment of tax on *Punja* and *Kayal* lands in Kuttanad up to the 15th Chingam and 15th Thulam 1110.

(*e*) 1108—Rs. 18,969-8-10.
1109—Rs. 66,707-3- 4.

(*f*) Aryad South *pakuthi* stands first and Pulinkunnu *pakuthi* last.

Arrears of land-tax in certain taluks.

85. *MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): Will the Government be pleased to state the following particulars with respect to each of the taluks of Karunagapalli, Kartikapalli and Mavelikara for each of the years 1107, 1108 and 1109 :

(*a*) the land-tax that fell in arrears ;

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(*b*) the number of demand notices sent;

(*c*) the number of cases in which lands have been sold for arrears of land revenue; and

(*d*) the extent of the lands sold?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): The information required is given in the statement laid on the table.

MR. V. RAMAKRISHNA PANICKAR (*Kartikapalli II*): May I know whether the member is in a position to give the amount of sale proceeds in the various taluks of the State for 1109?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): No, I am not in a position to say that. That information was not called for.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): I find in the Appendix that, in 1109, 208 acres of land were sold for collecting Rs. 45,000 in the Karunagapally taluk. Whereas in 1108, 66 acres were sold for the collection of Rs. 54,000. May I know the reason for such a wide difference?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): The first part of the statement deals with land tax that fell in arrears. It may be that the tax was paid before the sale was conducted in a large number of cases.

Idiki Hydro-Electric Scheme.

86. ***MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received a scheme showing the possibility of starting Hydro-Electric works at Idiki in the Periyar river;

(*b*) if so, when it was received;

(*c*) whether, before the Pallivasal Hydro-Electric Scheme was settled, this was considered;

(*d*) whether they have considered the scheme in all its aspects;

(*e*) whether they propose to investigate the scheme; and

(*f*) whether it would be feasible to link on this with the Pallivasal Hydro-Electric Works?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) On 25-4-1932.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) This can be considered after the completion of the Pallivasal Hydro-Electric Scheme.

(*f*) Yes.

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* *Vide* Appendix

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Appendix

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 85.**

Taluk.	Land tax that fell in arrears.			No. of demand notices sent.			No. of cases in which land has been sold and the extent sold.								
	1107	1108	1109	1107	1108	1109	1107			1108			1109		
							No.	Extent.		No.	Extent.		No.	Extent.	
	Rs. ch. c.	Rs. ch. c.	Rs. ch. c.					A.	C.		A.	C.		A.	C.
Karunagapalli	61,023-7-9	54,997-24-7	44,356-17-9	12,424	7,213	9,689	278	45	39	422	66	93	1,233	208	73
Kartikapalli	11,829-23-1	19,133-20-7	15,960-18-10	35,419	35,497	35,510	142	14	6	361	70	58	1,966	205	70
Mavelikara	15,314-3.0	23,295 7-7	26,373-16-6	33,183	44,446	39,129	351	12	55½	475	52	26½	2,225	54	15